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Michigan Group Voices Concerns Over Kalamazoo River Superfund Cleanup

East Lansing Staff Explain Role of NRDA and Service in Project

Staff from the East Lansing Field Office presented information on the natural resources damage assessment process and other topics during a September 9, 1999 meeting of the Kalamazoo River Protection Association.

Lisa Williams,

Craig Czarnecki, and Mike DeCapita of the East Lansing Field Office spoke to 40 people about conservation topics relating to the Allied Paper, Inc./Portage Creek/ Kalamazoo River Superfund site. Attendees expressed their interests in anything that might speed up or improve the remediation of their river system which has been polluted by PCBs for decades.

Service staff explained the natural resource damage assessment process, how it relates to the Superfund cleanup process, and how it is likely to apply to the Kalamazoo River Superfund



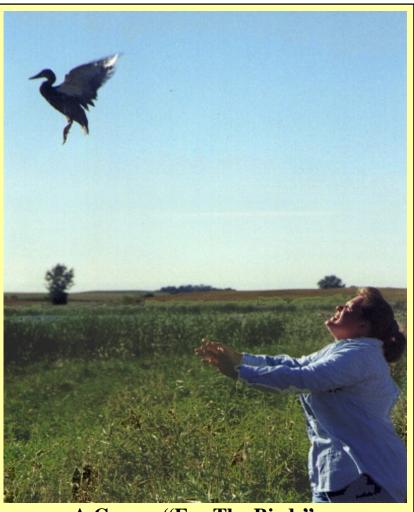
Superfund Site. The Kalamazoo River near Richmond in southwest Michigan's Allegan county, provides habitat to migratory birds, fish and freshwater mussels, and is a food source for bald eagles. (Photo by Lisa Williams)

site. They also explained how the Endangered Species Act works and how it relates to the cleanup process and the Kalamazoo River watershed.

Staff members answered general questions about the

Service, about the Superfund site, and about the Service's ability to influence events at the site.

The public told the East Lansing Staff of their frustration with the slow pace of cleanup activities, the continuing injuries to bald eagles (perhaps through fish con-



A Course "For The Birds"

Mary Soler, a wildlife biologist at Rydell National Wildlife Refuge, releases a mallard duck to the wild during a waterfowl banding exercise of the Waterfowl Ecology Course. The week-long course was held Aug. 16-20 at the Prairie Wetlands Learning Center in Fergus Falls, Minnesota. (*Photo by Steve Kufrin*)

sumption), and the impact of contamination on local property values.

Discussions lasted more than two hours and also involved employees and contractors for the Michigan Department of Natural Resources and the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality.

The floodplains, wetlands, and river corridor of the Kalamazoo River and Portage Creek provide habitat for numerous important fish and aquatic species, semiaquatic species, and terrestrial species. (Lisa Williams, East Lansing Field Office)

Region 3 Partners With Other Regions For New, Improved Accomplishment Reporting System

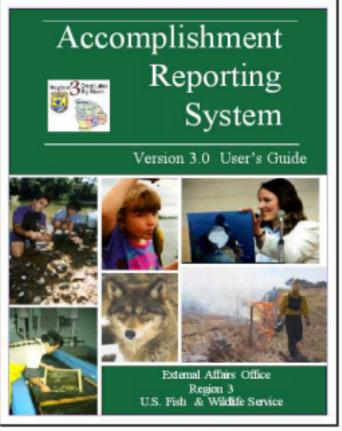
Version 3.0 of Web-Based Information System Activated August 18

After months of planning, coordination and development, an upgraded Accomplishment Reporting System (ARS) is now a reality. Version 3.0 of the Internet-based information acquisition and dissemination system was posted to the Service website August 18 and made available to Region 3 offices August 29, 1999.

The system was developed by a private contractor in close consultation with Region 3 External Affairs. Many user comments and suggestions for improvements were also incorporated into the new version.

The ARS has been used successfully for the past three years to support outreach and inreach efforts in Region 3. The system gathers information about Service accomplishments, activities and initiatives and organizes the reports in an easy to use database. The database allows managers to tie ac-

complishments to regional performance goals, national Government Performance and Results Act (GPRA) goals as well as recognize the many contributions of partners to the Service mission. Information gathered by the ARS is



ARS Help. User Guides were distributed by email to all employees in a .pdf (portable document format) file attachment. The Guide provides step-by-step instructions, as well as tips on how to write accomplishment reports.

used in multiple reports and information products that keep the public and Service employees informed about accomplishments inside the region. The system can also report Service accomplishments to members of the news media and Congress in "real time".

While not a national system, ARS version 3.0 is being adopted for use as an information tool by other service regions.

An ARS User's Guide, produced by External Affairs, was sent via email to all employees to help them in transitioning to the new reporting sytem.

Since its debut in Region 3, August 29th, more than 90 users have received user IDs, and more than 120 reports have been filed. More than 1,300 reports were submitted by members of Region 3 last Fiscal Year. Information con-

tained in those reports were used in media and Congressional advisories, Weekly Reports and internal publications such as "Inside Region 3". (Scott Flaherty, External Affairs)

Waterfowl Identification and Hunting Theme of Service Display at Fall Expo

Members of Region 3 staffed a Service display and answered visitors' questions about waterfowl identification and hunting during the two-day Fall Expo August 28-29, 1999 at Cabella's Outdoor Sports Store in Owatonna, Minn.

The theme for Service display was waterfowl identification and water-

fowl hunting. Region staff from Federal Aid, External Affairs and Refuges and Wildlife represented the Service at the Expo, which was staffed by other government, non-government organizations as well as commercial outdoor equipment vendors.

The Service display featured a slide show on duck identification as well as

several mounted ducks (Ducks on a Stick) used to help visitors test their identification skills.

Posters, brochures and Information on Service programs employees were distributed to hundreds of people attending the Expo. (*Bill Hutchinson, Refuges & Wildlife*)

Service's Lamprey Control Effort Eliminates More Than 4 Million Larvae From Great Lakes Tributaries

Since mid-July, two Lake Superior, three Lake Michigan and two Lake Huron tributaries to the Great Lakes have been treated with lampricide, destroying about 4,412,000 larval sea lampreys.

Included in this total are about 41,200 larvae that would have transformed into the parasitic phase and entered the Great Lakes this year. Each parasitic phase sea lamprey is capable of killing upwards of 40

pounds of fish during the year-long parasitic phase of its life cycle. The Service conducts a sea lamprey control



Sea Lamprey mouth.

program under contract with the Great Lakes Fishery Commission. The successful control program continues to ensure sport fish reha-

bilitation in the Great Lakes and protect a fishery valued at over \$4.0 billion.

Partners in the effort include the Marquette Biological Station, Great Lakes Fishery Commission and U.S. Geological Survey's Biological Research Division-Upper Midwest En-

vironmental Sciences Center. (Denny Lavis, Ludington Biological Station)

Service Partners Collect Wild Brook Trout For Keweenah Tribal Hatchery

Sportsmen from the Lake Superior basin will soon benefit from a recent collection of juvenile (2-4 inches) brook trout from the Jumbo River in Michigan's Houghton county.

Personnel from the Ashland Fishery Resources Office, Ottawa National Forest, Michigan Department of Natural Resources, and Keweenaw Bay Indian Community (Natural Resources Department) recently collected more than 600 brook trout and transferred them to the Keweenaw Bay Indian Fish Hatchery.

The project was conceived by the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community as a means to stimulate the brook trout recovery program for the Keweenaw Bay area.

The juvenile trout, along with fish from a

similar collection in 1997, are being used to initiate a new strain of brook trout broodstock at the Keweenaw Bay tribal fish hatchery.

This wild trout collection and rearing program was initiated to increase the survivability and number of stocked fish by providing for the release of a more aggressive (wild) hatchery reared fish. The brook trout were originally captured from six stations scattered around the Jumbo River watershed.

This type of fish collection technique will insure genetic variations are maintained within this supply of broodstock.

Fertilized eggs from these brook trout should be available in three years. (Frank Stone, Ashland FRO)

Learning Center Hosts Edible Plant Walk Program

Green Point Environmental Learning Center, part of the Shiawassee NWR, hosted its First Wednesday Discovery Series program September 1, 1999. Thirty-five people attended this month's program: Edible Plant Walk.

Park Ranger Marc Beaudin discussed the ethics, benefits, and precautions of collecting and eating wild edible plants. He

led the group on a short walk to identify and learn about various plants.

Examples of edibles such as spearmint tea, sumac juice, cattail bread, and clover fritters were available for people to sample. The fritters were prepared during the program with the help of the partici-

(Becky Goche, Shiawassee NWR)

Muscatatuck NWR **Mist Netting Helps Assess Habitat Needs** for Indiana Bats

Service staff at the Jefferson Proving Ground office of Muscatatuck National Wildlife Refuge has completed their 1999 mist net study of Indiana bats.

During 40 nights of trapping (80 net nights) 262 bats, representing seven species were captured, including 13 Indiana bats.

Radio transmitters were placed on seven female bats to determine maternity roost tree selection.

Data on the three roost trees located during the study is being gathered to better understand summer habitat needs of this endangered species. Partial funding for the study was provided by the U.S. Army and the Indiana Department of Natural Resources. (Linda Gordon, Muscatatuck NWR)

Special Agents Participate in Interagency Surveillance of Remote U.S.-Canadian Border Crossings in Minnesota

Four Service special agents recently joined with agents from other U.S. and Canadian law enforcement agencies to gather information about smuggling trends along the U.S.-Canadian border in northwest Minnesota.

Service agents from Minnesota, Wisconsin and Iowa participated in the two-day interagency operation, which gathered information about violation methods, smuggling threats and trends, conveyances and contraband along a 56 mile section of border from Baudette to Rainy Lake in Minnesota.

In addition to the Service, participating agencies included the U.S. Customs Service (lead agency), U.S. Border Patrol, Drug Enforcement Administration, U.S. Immigration Service, U.S. Park Service, Minnesota Department of Natural Resources, Minnesota Bureau of Criminal Apprehension, Minnesota State Patrol, Koochiching County Sheriff's Office, International Falls Police Department, and Canada Customs.

Surveillance was conducted with assistance from U.S. Customs aircraft of individuals illegally crossing the international border

from both sides, via land, air and water. Numerous vessels used to cross the border were inspected. Violations encountered included operating vessels under the influence of alcohol, possession of narcotics and various boating and fishing violations.

Warnings were issued by Canada Customs regarding Canadian reporting requirements for entry into Canada. U.S. Customs was educated both U.S. and Canadian residents about proper requirements for entering the U.S. from remote border areas. (*Gary Jagodzinski, Onalaska LE*)

175 Learn Hunting Techniques at Detroit Lakes Waterfowl Expo

The Detroit Lakes WMD hosted the second annual Waterfowl Expo at the District office near Detroit Lakes, Minn., August 28, 1999.

Approximately 175 visitors participated in activities such as duck calling, shotgun patterning, waterfowl identification, retriever demonstrations, duck and goose decoy placement, range estimation, decoy carving, and face painting.

Duck Stamps were on sale and drawings were held for door prizes. Antique decoys were also on display. Dennis Hunt, professional goose hunter, author, and speaker, presented a seminar on goose hunting techniques.

The Expo was made possible through the efforts of 25 volunteers who set up and staffed most of the information booths. Twenty local businesses donated door prizes to help make the Expo a success. (*Les Peterson, Detroit Lakes WMD*)

Service Partners With Minnesota DNR to Educate Hunters at State Fair

2,000 Youths Get Hunting Ethics and SAFETY Training

The Service and Minnesota Department of Natural Resources partnered recently to educate young hunters during the Minnesota State Fair, August 26-September 6, 1999.

More than 2,000 youths participated in the hunter education experience at the Fair's DNR building.

With parental permission, youths 11 through 17 moved through three stations staffed by Service and DNR volunteers. The youths received a short hunter education course before experiencing a simulated hunt on the Simulated Action Firearms Education Training for Youth (SAFETY) system, a computerized hunting simulator that helped reinforce and test

knowledge gained from the hunter training.

The training and similated hunt took about 30 minutes. Parents did not hunt, but were encouraged to walk through the stations and help their child with the training.

Before the simulated hunt, a Minnesota DNR Conservation Officer taught the youths about conservation violations, hunting safety, and the consequences of making for bad hunting decisions.

Service volunteers for the event included members of Refuges and Wildlife, External Affairs, Federal Aid, Contracting and General Services and Fisheries.

(Julie Morin, Federal Aid)



Birdy Work. Biologists appear surrounded by pelicans and gulls during their banding operation at Marsh Lake in western Minnesota. (*Photo by Eric Nelson*)

Biologists Tag White Pelicans as Part of Three Year Study of Birds' Use of Upper Mississippi Refuge

Biologists from Upper Mississippi River National Wildlife and Fish Refuge (UMRNW & FR) recently teamed up with Dr. Al Grewe, St. Cloud State University, St. Cloud, Minn., to capture, leg band, and color-mark American white pelicans in western Minnesota.

Refuge Biologist Eric
Nelson and his wife, accompanied Dr. Grewe's crew to
Marsh Lake, in Minnesota'a
Lac Qui Parle County, June
19, 1999 where they attached patagial wing tags on 198 of
2,000 young pelicans banded. The flightless young are hatched and raised on an isolated island in Marsh Lake.

With increasing frequency, adult pelicans are using the



Study Group. Tagged White pelicans will be easier to identify during the study, which will collect data on these fish-eating birrds using the Upper Mississippi River NW&FR (*Photo by Eric Nelson*)

UMRNW&FR. Since the 1980s, the "summer" pelican population on the River has reached nearly 1,500 birds. The natal origin of these birds is not known, but some of them were probably raised at Marsh Lake. The Refuge is conducting a three-year study

of the number and distribution of white pelicans using the Refuge. Banding the birds will enhance identification of individual birds involved in the study.

It's likely that white pelicans could begin nesting on Refuge islands during the next few years. Pelicans could soon receive public scruntiny as fish eaters similar to that of the double-crested cormorant here in the Great Lakes Region.

Also, documentation of white pelican use of the river will enhance our ability to address pelican issues as they develop. Partners in the project include St. Cloud State University and Minnesota Department of Naturual Resources (Eric Nelson, UMRNW&FR)

Refuge Partners With Engineering Students and Waterfowl Association to Improve Wetland Habitat at Crab Orchard NWR

A shallow-water impoundment on the east side of Crab Orchard National Wildlife Refuge was recently renovated to a high quality wetland habitat with



help from engineering students at Southern Illinois University-Carbondale, and members of the Crab Orchard Waterfowl Association.

A leaking pond dam, constructed in the 1960s for waterfowl and watering cattle, was repaired, raised and lengthened.

The surface area of the impoundment was doubled, increasing high quality wetland habitat for waterfowl, shorebirds, wading birds, and other wildlife.

Engineering students, led by Roy R. Frank, assistant professor in the university's Department of Technol-

ogy, created a contour map of the area, designed the re-constructed dam and spillway, and placed grade/ fill stakes at the project site.

Refuge staff used equipment to clear brush and moved earth to repair, raise, and lengthen the original dam.

Members of the Crab Orchard Waterfowl Association provided grass seed, fertilizer, straw mulch, tractors with implements, along with their time and labor to re-establish grass vegetation on the disturbed areas.

The final product is an improved wetland habitat that provides important feeding, loafing, and breeding habitat to migratory birds, and critical life components for a variety of aquatic and terrestrial wildlife species.

700 Acres Restored to Prairie Grassland at Detroit Lakes WMD

Seven hundred acres of former cropland has been restored to native prairie grassland on 13 Waterfowl Production Areas (WPA) and the Rydell NWR by the Detroit Lakes Wetland Management District since October 1, 1998 (Fiscal Year 1999).

Most of the seed was harvested from local WPAs and processed at the Detroit Lakes WMD seed processing facility. Some of the forb (wildflower) seed was purchased with funds that were donated by the Becker County (Minnesota)

Sportsman's Club.

Twenty-eight acres were seeded by broadcasting the seed on snow-covered areas during the winter months.

An estimated 275 ducks will be produced on these acres each year and numerous other resident and migratory wildlife species will benefit from this habitat annually.

Partners in the effort include the Becker County Sportsman's Club and 13 cooperative farmers. (Les Peterson, Detroit Lakes WMD)

Improved Illinois County Watershed Ordinance Protects Trust Species

On August 10, 1999 the new Lake County, Illinois Watershed Development Ordinance went into effect, after final adoption by the County Board.

The ordinance culminates two years of work revising their previous ordinance. Many revisions were aimed at providing greater protection to natural resources such as wetlands and lakes. The Chicago Field Office was represented on the Technical Advisory Committee where the bulk of the revision work and lengthy debates ocurred.

The strong local ordinance protects trust resources and provides direct improved protection for natural resources such as wetlands, streams, and lakes. It requires buffers to these features and references the Endangered Species consultation process where appropriate. The Service's Chicago Field Office will continue to work with the county in the implementation of the ordinance through the Technical Advisory Committee.

Although opposed by home building industry, the ordinance has good local political support. Partners in the effort include the Lake County Stormwater Management Commission, Lake County Forest Preserve District, Lake County Home Builders Association, Northeastern Illinois Planning Commission, local municipalities, and the Natural Resources Conservation Service (*Jeffrey Mengler, Chicago FO*)

Accomplishment Reports Received

ARS Shutdown, Transition to New **Version 3.0 Caused Delay in Report Processing**

The following accomplishment reports were processed during the week of September 13-17, and are the last reports filed through the previous version of the ARS. In July, an unauthorized user (aka "hacker") caused havoc with the Service Web site, including the ARS server.

The intrusion caused Denver IRM to shut down the ARS server and remove all files. Retrieving the reports in their proper format was no longer possible.

The incident occurred within days of our scheduled transition to the new ARS, so the decision was made to push forward with roll-out of the new system, versus expending time and funds to reconstruct and debug the old ARS.

All reports filed during the last Fiscal Year have been saved as text files, however, and will be used in the Annual Report. Version 3.0 of the ARS is capturing accomplishment reports. Those Reports received prior to Sept 17 are listed here, beginning with number 717. (Scott Flaherty, External Affairs).

- 900 Summer School Students Visit 636. Mingo NWR Rod Hansen, Mingo NWR
- 637. **Navy Reservists Volunteer** Weekend at Mingo NWR Rod Hansen, Mingo NWR
- 638. Mingo NWR Utilizes Summer **Youth Training Program** Rod Hansen, Mingo NWR
- 639. Old PL 566 Project Resurrected, More of Same? Kenneth Lammers, Reynoldsburg Field Office
- 640. MNWR Hosts "May Day" Bird Count Donna Stanley, Muscatatuck

NWR

- 641. **MNWR Hosts Junior Duck Stamp** AwardsCeremony
 - Donna Stanley, Muscatatuck NWR

- 642. **MNWR Holds Bird Festival** Dona Stanley, Muscatatuck NWR
- Sea Lampreys Destroyed, Lake 643. **Trout Saved** Dennis Lavis, Ludington Biological Station
- 644. **Coaster Book Trout** Rehabilitation on Track Henry Quinlan, Ashland FRO
- 645. **Leafy Spurge Flea Beetles** Greg Dehmer, Fergus Falls WMD
- 646. **Biologist Training Forum** Held in St. Louis Jim Mattson,
- 647. Portage, Wis., Resident **Indicted by Federal Grand Jury** Ed Spoon, Madison LE
- 648. ICAST and Federal Aid - A **Successful Partnership** David Peterson, Federal Aid
- 649. MNWR Hosts Field Day for **Biology Students** Donna Stanley, Muscatatuck NWR
- 650. **MNWR Celebrates National** Fishing Week Donna Stanley, Muscatatuck NWR
- 651. Volunteers Recognized at Muscatatuck NWR Donna Stanley, Muscatatuck NWR
- 652. Mingo NWR Participates in **Minority Career Camp** Rod Hansen, Mingo NWR
- 653. **Tortoise Smuggler Fined in** Sheila O'Connor, Ann Arbor LE
- Sustainable America Event Held 654. in Detroit Jim Hudgins, Michigan Private Lands
- 655. **Another Successful Service** Display at Outdoorama Jim Hudgins, Michigan Private Lands Office
- Bluebird Festival Held in Jackson, 656 Michigan Jim Hudgins, Michigan Private
- 657. IMBD Celebrated at Lansing's **Potter Park Zoo** Jim Hudgins, Michigan Private

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- 658. **Upper Miss Refuge Assists Banding White Pelicans** Eric C. Nelson, UMRNF&WR
- 659. **Christmas Bird Count at Prairie** Wetlands Learning Center Tim Bodeen, PWLC
- **Sediment Capping with AquaBlok** 660. Ken Multerer, Reynoldsburg FO
- 661. **Service Promotes Earth Steward Projects at Fergus Falls Middle** School Tim Bodeen, PWLC
- 662. Necedah NWR Staffs Booth at **Monroe County Fair** LuAnn Rochester, Necedah NWR
- 663. **Necedah NWR Staff Interviewed** by Radio Station LuAnn Rochester, Necedah NWR
- 664. Two-Day Girl Scout Day Camp at Necedah NWR LuAnn Rochester, Necedah NWR
- 665. **Local TV Show Explores** Recycling Tim Bodeen, PWLC
- 666. Reporter Covers DayCamp at Necedah NWR LuAnn Rochester, Necedah NWR
- 667. **Annual Wild Berry Bash at** Necedah NWR LuAnn Rochester, Necedah NWR
- 668. WBOG Radio DJ at Necedah **NWR** LuAnn Rochester, Necedah NWR
- 669. **Local Elementary Students Learn About Bats** Tim Bodeen, Fergus Falls WMD
- 670. **Students Learn About Hibernation and Tracks** Tim Bodeen, PWLC
- 671. Meetings Bring 110 people to PWLC Tim Bodeen, PWLC
- 672. **Classes Come to Center to Learn** Winter Ecology Tim Bodeen, PWLC
- 673. **Earth Stewards Project Gets** Students on Web, TV Tim Bodeen, PWLC

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674	Wetland Restoration Milestone Celebrated Tim Julison, Mark Twain NWR	691.	Results of Ruffe Reduction Experiment Presented	708	Cub Scouts learn about passenger pigeons at PWLC
	Tilli Julison, Mark Twam NWK		Gary Czypinski, Ashland FRO		Tim Bodeen, PWLC
675.	Fourth Graders Learn About a Bird's Winter Life Tim Bodeen, PWLC	692.	Ruffe Control Working Gary Czypinski, Ashland FRO	709.	150 Seventh Graders at PWLC Tim Bodeen, PWLC
676.	After School Program Focuses on Winter Ecology	693.	Exotics Study to Pit Ruffe vs Goby Gary Czypinski, Ashland FRO	710.	Earth Day at PWLC Tim Bodeen, PWLC
677	Tim Bodeen , PWLC Seventh Graders Visit the Prairie	694.	Trawling/Trapping Effective in 4th Goby Round-up Gary Czypinski, Ashland FRO	711.	PWLC Participates in Green Wing Fair
0,,	Wetlands Learning Center Tim Bodeen, PWLC	695.	Ruffe Expansion Detection in	712.	Time Bodeen, PWLC Teresa Jaskiewicz attends
678.	Service CCP Meets at PWLC Tim Bodeen, PWLC		Michigan River Gary Czypinski, Ashland FRO		volunteer open house Tim Bodeen, PWLC
679.	Teresa Jaskiewicz Meets with Local Resort Tim Bodeen, PWLC	696.	Chequamegon Bay Zebra Mussel Task Force Formed Gary Czypinski, Ashland FRO	713.	Volunteer Banquet held at the PWLC Tim Bodeen, PWLC
680.	Marsh Madness Hits the Local Radio Waves	697.	Marsh Madness Hits PWLC Tim Bodeen, PWLC	714	DeSoto Refuge Float Wins First Place
	Tim Bodeen, PWLC	698.	Teresa Jaskiewicz at Community		George Gage, Desoto NWR
681.	Eastern Prairie Fringed Orchid Recovery		Connection luncheon Tim Bodeen, PWLC	715.	Service Aids Repatriation of Ghost Shirt Richard Dickinson, St. Paul, LE
	Sheldon Myerchin, Leopold WMD	699	Teresa Jaskiewicz promotes		
682.	150 Seventh Graders Experience the PWLC		Marsh Madness on TV Tim Bodeen, PWLC	716.	National Soil Team Checks Soil in Bisson Lake Mike Murphy, Hamden Slough
	Tim Bodeen, PWLC	700.	PWLC's Teresa Jaskiewicz Receives Education Award		NWR
683	Law Enforcement Assistance to		Tim Bodeen, PWLC	717.	Illinois Engineering Students and
	Winona District Dave Lescallet, Upper Mississippi River NW&FR	701.	Millions of Sea Lampreys killed in St Marys River		Waterfowl Association Partner to Improve Wetland Habitat at
684.	Law Enforcement Program		Terry Morse, Marquette Biological Station		Crab Orchard NWR
	Coordination Dave Lescallet, Upper Mississippi	702.	First Endangered Piping Plover	718.	Service Hears Public Concerns
	River NW&FR	702.	Found on Refuge Mike Murphy, Hamden Slough		Over Kalamazoo River Contamination
685.	Week of March 13 brings 75 visitors to the PWLC		NWR		Lisa Williams, East Lansing FO
	Tim Bodeen, PWLC	703.	Russian Students Visit Refuges	719.	Sea Lampreys Destroyed, Great
686.	Girl Scout Retreat brings 110 Visitors to the PWLC		Mike Murphy, Hamden Slough NWR		Lakes Fish Saved Dennis Lavis, Ludington Biological
	Tim Bodeen, PWLC	704.	Muscatatuck NWR Hosts Agency Professionals		Station
687.	Homemakers and Computer Class Meet at PWLC		Mike Oliver, Muscatatuck NWR	720.	Service Partners Collect Wild Brook Trout For Tribal Hatchery
	Tim Bodeen, PWLC	705.	Intern hired at Leopold WMD through Partnership		Broodstock Frank Stone, Ashland FRO
688	Meeting held to write up \$25,000 grant papers		Rhonda Byers, Leopold WMD		
	Tim Bodeen, PWLC	706.	EarthSavers Recognize NW Minnesota Moose Mystery &	721.	Green Point Learning Center Hosts Edible Plant Walk Program Packer Ceacher B2 Shippenggan NWP
689.	Ruffe Traps Used in Coaster Brook Trout Project		Website Margaret Anderson, Agassiz NWR		Becky Goche, R3- Shiawassee NWR
	Gary Czypinski, Ashland FRO	707		722.	Service Provides Waterfowl
690.	Meetings, Training, Classes and Visitors at PWLC Tim Bodeen, PWLC	707.	Mingo NWR Develops New "Duck Trap" Rod Hansen, Mingo NWR		Identification Tips at Cabella's Fall Expo Bill Hutchinson, Refuges & Wildlife
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- 723. 175 Visitors Learn About Service
 Programs and Hunting
 Techniques at Detroit Lakes
 Waterfowl Expo
 Les Peterson, Detroit Lakes WMD
- 724. Unique Service Partnership Increases Awareness for Hunter Education

Julie Morin, Federal Aid

725. Rockford, Illinois Men Charged with Wildlife Violations
Walt Kocal, DesMoines LE

- 726. Service Agents Join U.S.-Canadian Enforcement Agencies For Border Surveillance Operation Gary Jagodzinski, Onalaska LE
- 727. Mist Net Study of Indiana Bats
 Completed at Jefferson Proving
 Ground
 Linda Gordon, Muscatatuck NWR
- 728. Improved Illinois County
 Watershed Ordinance Protects
 Trust Species
 Jeffrey Mengler, Chicago FO

729. **350 Attend Fourth Annual Open House at Rydell NWR**

Les Peterson, Detroit Lakes WMD

730. **Detroit Lakes WMD Restores 700**Acres to Prairie Grassland
Les Peterson, Detroit Lakes WMD

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